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Minutes for 6/24/23

I. Called to order

II. Message from His Excellency

- Hello - thrilled to see so many people who came out for the gathering and baronial meeting.
- There was a great demo in Charlotte at Comic Con
- University was well attended.
- Pennsic is coming up. Normal schedule is planned - no baronial court.
- Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday is coming up in 69 days! There are champions turning over, and lots of competitions planned.

III. Seneschal Report

- Quiet in the Kingdom; reminder of upcoming Curia
- There is a need for a new Baronial Seneschal

IV. Chatelain Report

- Happy with the activity in the barony
- Stepping down as Seneschal in February so a replacement is needed
- End of the year is the Known World Chatelain workshop. It is online.
- Demo information at this time - Jun 26, 2023 at the Spencer Library

V. Herald Report

- No report
- Suzanne Boothe has silent herald practice every Thursday online.

VI. A & S Report

- Taught at the event in Spartanburg

- Warrior Games in Riddleyville (similar to Highland Games)
- Virtual Pennsic University
- Please copy MoAS on canton reports

VII. Marshall Report

- Lots of new fighters
- Practices in cantons - would like to see practices expand

VIII. Exchequer Report

- ~ \$26,500 in the coffers.
- Available Thursday afternoons or by appointment
- Lady Trish of Sacred Stone is the new Quartermaster

IX. MOL Report

- Doing well
- In good shape for SSBB but would love more help

X. Chronicler Report

- Looking for submissions
- Please submit all submissions via messenger no later than the 25th of the month.

XI. Westminster Report

- Keep her in the loop with all updates

XII. Youth Officer Report

- We are in need of a Youth Officer. Message the kingdom youth officer if you are interested.

XIII. Canton Reports

- Aire Falcone
 - University went well. Lady Ritkitsa autocratic it (her first one)
 - There is a monthly get together at Books a Million in Gastonia
- Charlesbury Crossing
 - There will be a brief meeting after the baronial meeting today
 - Mistress Jessamyn will be stepping in as Seneschal once voted in

- Working on items for SSBB
- Fighter practices
- People from the canton taught at university
- Has email groups available so you can stay up to date with events
- Crois Bris
 - Hosted the gathering today
 - Will have a canton meeting after the baronial meeting
- Middlegate
 - Tuesday fighter practices
 - Currently in a rebuilding session
- Salisbury Glenn
 - Doing many things
 - Some new people are interested in fighting
 - Candle Making with charcoal is on the horizon
 - There is a big push for largess for SSBB
 - There will be a meeting at the end of next month

XIV. Her Excellency joined via zoom

- Loved to see the turnout
- Encourages rapier folks to have practices
- She is learning rapier
- Children's Fete at Pennsic
 - Help is needed with the crafts
 - Encourage folks to volunteer to run activities as SSBB

XV. Old Business

- SSBB
 - September 1 - 4
 - There will be a Korean Feast

- Their Majesties are coming
- It will be a very busy events; expect a long evening court
- 100 seats are available for feast
- Merchant wrangler is busy working on merchants and merchant spaces
- There are many A & S competitions and displays
- There will be a thrown weapon venue

XVI. New Business

- (Thamira) volunteers are needed for fete at Pennsic - Wednesday 9th (9-1)
 - Security, check-in, activities.
 - Location will be the great hall
 - Look at the children's fete page on FB
 - Disney costumes are always needed
- Sarah - Jubilee is planned for October 7 - 8
 - This is a demo
 - Have a 20 x 35 section; tent for A&S; room for fighters
 - Need to order a banner
 - &35 voted on (24 approved; 0 against)
 - Flyers are needed with QR codes
 - Need to propose a budget for the event
- Corporate
 - SCA reservationist is rolling out a new system for WoW
 - Electronic membership cards are also rolling out
- Their Excellencies have a storage idea
 - They found a 20' steel storage for ~ \$3,000 that could be part of a gate at Elchenburg Castle and then move the baronial storage to this container. The hope is that would eliminate the need for a rented storage garage.
 - A discussion ensued on purchasing this container and where to set it up
- SSBB

- About 7 porta-potties have been rented for SSBB
- Rented table and chairs (110 chairs, 10-20 tables)
- Discussion continued about the storage container
- Muggles Market is now the Geekery Market
 - One day event at the Carrabba's Arena Nov. 4 (10-4)
- Suzanne Boothe made donations of feast gear to the barony
- \$250 was motioned, voted and approved for the Children's fete at Pennsic

Meeting was adjourned

From Their Excellencies

Greetings and salutations from Alain and Azza, Baron and Baroness Sacred Stone! We trust this missive finds you well, and eager to join in all the festivities our fair Barony has to offer.

A quick note of business; It is proposed that the Barony acquire a container (20 foot), set it at Elchenburg, and move Baronial Storage to it. Part of this proposal involves decorating the container to look like a wall, and using it as part of a Gate into our camp. This is not a trivial endeavor, would require the aid of several pairs of hands, and would be a significant cost (it would pay for itself in ~5 years). As such, we request input from the populace on this. This is the beginning of the conversation, not an announcement of action, and we welcome all input from Baronial members. You may contact us directly, send missives to our seneschal Otto, and/or come to our regular business meetings with concerns/thoughts/ideas/objections/support/etc.

It's hard to see great Baronial people doing great Baronial things without great Baronial activities, so we wish to encourage all our Cantons to host events! Events do not have to be weekend long Royal Progress big budget affairs, they can be small backyard gatherings, potlucks, and such. Charlesbury Crossing recently held A Day in the Park, which was a lovely little event complete with everything an event needs, we even held court! We would love to see more small events like this, even if just a Dessert Revel where we could come share something sweet, and some company. Such would also allow Phoenixes to shine, and opportunities for award recommendations!

For all martial-oriented Phoenixes, Kings Assessment is right around the corner, in our cousin's Barony of Black Diamond, Their Majesties Atlantia wish to see how prepared we are for the coming

Pennsic War. We intend to be in attendance, and hopefully on the field, so come join us if you are able. This is always a fun event for all, and is usually an easy day-trip.

For the first time as your Baron & Baroness, we will be at Pennsic! While there is not a Baronial Camp at War, as most (if not all) regular Pennsic folk have established camps, we will be camping with Clan Lurkr (look for the big red pavilion near university), and Atlantian Royal will be a central point for all things Atlantia. There are several things happening over the course of the War, please check the appropriate schedules on site (as these things tend to change to suit circumstances). If you are attending this year, please touch base with us at some point, we would love to see each and every one of you at Pennsic!

While we're talking about it, we will beg a boon of our great Populace; while at Pennsic, keep an eye for something which inspires you. Something which makes you laugh, brings a smile, or moves your spirit. When you find it, make a few notes, tie something around a finger, do whatever will remind you of it later. When later comes, sit down and compose some words about it - what happened, context, why it felt special/important/amusing - paint a brief picture to share in this, our newsletter. We would love to see the September newsletter filled with the stories of War, sharing a bit of the wonder we all make.

Speaking of September, Baronial Birthday is the next event on our lands, and Clash of the Cantons is its theme! If your Canton is not already discussing how to be involved, the clock is ticking, and you - yes, you! - should be motivating your mates to action. We are very excited to see each of our Cantons shine this year, so pull out all the stops and come prepared to wow not only us, but all of Atlantia! This promises to be a great event with more than any one person could do, so start your planning now, and join the festivities as Sacred Stone celebrates.

To all those reading these words, fair winds and safe travels. We hope to see you soon!

Alain & Azza

Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday - Clash of the Cantons

Event Information

A&S Competitions for SSBB

This event heralds Their Majesties' and The Royal Caravan's arrival in China, bringing an end to their long journey along the Silk Road. Entrants are welcome to enter pieces inspired by the Silk

Road or China in the 12th - 14th centuries, but it is not required. Entries from any time period and region are welcome unless otherwise noted.

In accordance with the additional event theme of "Clash of the Cantons", all entrants are asked to choose a canton to 'fight' for. Each competition winner will earn 1 point for the Canton of their choosing. Points will be tallied before court on Saturday so the winning Canton can be recognized and awarded the Sacred Stone Canton Banner.

All competitions also welcome entries for Display Only.

The Competitions:

Inter-Canton Championship - Canton competition

The Cantons of Sacred Stone have chosen their Champions, and here they do battle!! Each canton has chosen a Novice and/or Intermediate Artisan/Scientist to represent their Canton in a fight of artistry and authenticity.

Champions, choose the piece you feel demonstrates your skills in creativity, artistry, and research. All mediums welcome, documentation required. Will be judged according to the 2019 Atlantian A&S Judging form.

"Overflowing Bounty" - Canton competition

Cantons of Sacred Stone - here the cry of the Baronage for MORE LARGESSE!! The coffers are slim and are in dire need of refilling. The Canton who gives the most largesse (aka the largest amount) to Their Excellencies will be awarded an additional point to go towards winning the Canton Championship.

"Baroness Azza's Aviary" - Open to everyone.

Phoenixes abound in the Barony of Sacred Stone, but we welcome all of our pine pheathered brethren to celebrate with us for our Baronial Birthday. Her Phabulous Excellency, Baroness Azza al Shirazi of Sacred Stone, invites you to share your best use of birds - of any feather, mythical or not - in the medium of your choice.

All mediums welcome, documentation encouraged. Judged by populace vote.

"Green With Envy" - Open to everyone.

Baronial colors of green and white paint the field, but do you have something to make us all 'green' with envy? Show it off in this search for the Best Use of Green!

All mediums welcome, documentation highly encouraged. Judged by populace vote.

Bardic Smackdown - Open to everyone.

Boast, brag, jest, jab - all in good fun for the love of the Canton. Come sing the praises of your choice Canton, though be warned - others love their Canton best as well. Have your best barbs prepared to defend your Canton's prowess. Last bard standing wins!

"Clan Clashes" - Open to everyone.

12th - 14th century China was no stranger to clashes between clans. Present a type of weapon or armor that would have been appropriate for protecting your clan. Remember to declare the clan (Canton) you wish to represent in this competition.

- Competition 1, "Reproduction": A reproduction of the weapon or armor as it would have appeared in period. Show your extant inspiration and tell us how you made it. Judged according to Kingdom of Atlantia's 2019 A&S Judging form & rubric.
- Competition 2, "Representative": An SCA combat appropriate weapon or armor that represents the form and function of its extant counterpart. While the entry must be SCA combat legal, entrants are not required to be authorized fighters. Show your extant inspiration and tell us how you made it. Judged by populace vote.
- The Displays: Open to all, documentation encouraged but not required.
- In-Progress Display: Show a piece you are currently working on. Share what the entry is, what the remaining steps are, and how close you are to finishing it.
- "You Can Too!" Display: It can be easy to look at new-to-you art forms and think "I could never do that." We want to assure you, "Yes, you can!" We welcome Pearls and Laurels to display the first piece of their chosen art they ever completed and the most recent piece completed. Please include a brief explanation of your art and the best way to get a hold of you after the event, should any member of the populace have any questions.

Notice from the MIC for SSBB –

From the MIC for SSBB, going to have 5-man small bridge tourney on Saturday and for the main tournament on Sunday for the sword will be a round robin style tournament since the giver of the sword Sir Marc, Pray I spelt that right wants tournament that way. Thanks to Syr Garan

Ask a Peer

Do you have a question for a Peer? Send your query to the Chronicler.

Would you like to add something to the newsletter

Message Tamara Babulski on Facebook with your entry.

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